

WAITING FOR TO-MORROW.

The Town Nearly Filled With Senators, Representatives and Politicians.

Everything Smooth on the Surface but an Undercurrent of Excitement.

Many Schemes Were on Foot Last Night—Sanders and His Men in Caucus.

The general feeling that a crisis in the political situation will be reached to-morrow has carried the excitement of the hour to a very high tension. All subjects of ordinary interest are lost in the discussion of the question of legislative control. It seems to be generally understood that the initiative period of statehood is to be marked by an event that will live in the political history of Montana. Every man is a politician, and enthusiasm hitherto latent has been aroused to an unexpected pitch. There are no outward indications that trouble will occur, but no one will be surprised at anything. There have been no stormy discussions among politicians. Everyone appears cool and good natured, though there is an undercurrent of determination on both sides.

The only incident that occurred yesterday was falsified by the Herald into an event of mysterious importance. Some time ago the county commissioners passed resolutions authorizing the chairman, Mr. Knight, to enter into a contract with Gov. Toole for the rental of rooms for the use of the legislature. The resolutions were signed by all of the commissioners and published in the newspapers. The question of precedent had nothing to do with the matter. When the territorial secretary was a federal officer it was proper enough for him to enter into contracts for the rental of the building for federal purposes. He has no more authority either by precedent or position to contract for the rooms than a page in the United States senate. Moreover, there was no reason for expecting that the secretary would rent the legislative halls. This would be seen even by the Herald if its mischievous ideas could grasp the change from territorial existence to statehood. Its double-headed "later" sensation that the rooms were locked and guarded by democrats amounts to nothing more than the fact that the custodians of the building propose to take a reasonable care of the rooms until their charge is given over to other hands. The men in charge of the rooms are merely there to protect the county property while some repairs are being made and the rooms arranged for the reception of the legislature.

There was very little talk among politicians yesterday as to the intention of either side. In fact, nothing was known except by the leaders, and it is probable that their plans were in a more or less chaotic state. In the latter part of the afternoon the hotel lobbies were filled with new arrivals discussing the situation. There were plenty of arguments over different phases of the question, but no opinion as to the final outcome. While it was frequently remarked that the good sense of the citizens of Montana would prevent any outbreak, no one was prepared to say that there would be no outbreak. In the evenings the lobbies were comparatively empty, the politicians having scattered about to various places in the town. It was a night for scheming for everyone realized that united action was necessary for a successful issue of the contest to either side. The republican conspirators held a session in the rooms over the Iroquois saloon. It is not known what schemes were concocted to steal the legislature, but it is said that their proceedings were veiled by locked doors and an air of despondency. There was some reckless talk among republicans around saloons of making an assault on the court house and taking charge, but this was ridiculed by the men who appreciate the situation. One man from Cascade proposed a battering ram, and in the next breath declared that there would be no trouble. The arrivals last evening were Representative-Elect W. J. Penrose, the editor of the Mining Journal, and one of the leaders of the unconditional and unadulterated democracy of Butte. He reports that the Silver Bow democrats are determined to have their rights. They will be here in large numbers to-day. Lieutenant Governor Rickards and Representatives Monteth and Thompson were on the train with Mr. Penrose. One of the party was heard to ask if Sanders would be at the depot to meet them. The republicans of all sections of the state are looking to the king of conspirators for directions. When his resources fail unscrupulous methods will be exhausted.

H. L. Frank of Butte, is another democrat on the ground to see that justice is done to the Silver Bow delegation. Hon. John B. Toole, of Anaconda, was kept busy shaking hands with republicans and democrats alike. His popularity and knowledge of legislative affairs will make him a leader in the next house.

Representative-elect Blakeley, of Gallatin, tells of an incident that illustrates the determination of the republican state committee to resort to unscrupulous methods, if necessary, to carry the election. On the day after election a prominent republican office-holder, of Bozeman, telegraphed to the committee for the result. The answer he received was "claim everything." This doctrine of Blakeley had evidently been well studied by Sanders and his confederates. Dr. R. G. Kidd, senator-elect of Custer, was on the field yesterday morning. If there are any contestants to dispute his title as the handsomest man in the next senate they will have to do more than get the assistance of the state canvassing board. Senators-elect Baker, of Chouteau, Beckler, of Dawson, and Hoffman, of Gallatin, are among the sterling democratic leaders who are watching matters closely. Representative Peter Brech, of Jefferson, is one of the younger democratic legislators looking forward to a peaceful solution of the difficulty. Among the late republican arrivals are Senator-elect Hastings, of Cascade, Beardman and Mitchell, of Chouteau, Morand and Loud, of Custer, Monteth, of Silver Bow, and Waite, of Fergus. By to-night all members-elect of the legislature will be in town ready to take their seats on Saturday. Large delegations of politicians and interested visitors from Butte and Missoula will arrive on to-day's trains, and added to these will be a scattering of politicians from all sections of the state. To-night the town will be alive with strangers waiting anxiously for the developments of to-morrow.

Tickets for Mrs. Pitts' concert to be given next Monday evening, Nov. 25th, at the M. E. church on Broadway, are for sale at the Journal Co.'s book store, Gentry's shoe store and Howe's music store, all on Main street. Price 50 cents.

The Queen City.

Members of the legislature and all others desiring good accommodations should call at the Queen City hotel 212 and 214 North Rodney. Terms, \$2 per day; special rates for the week \$12.50. The hotel is only a block and a half from the court house. Rooms heated by steam. Bath rooms free.

A WICKED FATHER AND MOTHER.

They Allure Their Girls to a Life of Shame, but Fail in Their Plans.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pixley left Helena last night for parts unknown. In connection with this apparently simple announcement there is a revolting story. Pixley has the reputation of being a drunkard, and was formerly a railroad engineer, who was discharged some time ago from the Northern Pacific. He went to different parts of the country, and last Friday returned from Minneapolis, his former home, with his daughter Edna, aged 16. Mrs. Pixley bears a very unsavory reputation in the community. She has a niece named Minnie Smith, whose parents died when she was a babe, and who has never known any other father and mother but Mr. and Mrs. Pixley, with whom she has always lived. Minnie is 19 years of age, and has lived in Helena about two months. She worked until last Monday at the Brunswick hotel, at the Northern Pacific depot. Wm. Pixley has the reputation of being lazy, as well as a drunkard, but on Monday went to work in the Iron Frost building at steamfitting. He worked one day and when he retired at night he and his wife devised a plan whereby they were to make a mint of money upon a very small outlay. Two evil minds concocted a plan, the business of which shows two wretches for whom an application of tar and feathers would be a compliment; but at last, realizing their peril, they have left a law-abiding community and failed in their purpose to forever ruin two young girls, against whom no word of reproach has ever been spoken. On Tuesday this father, mother, uncle and aunt informed the girls they were going to house-keeping and had engaged a house on Wood street. The girls being strangers were unfamiliar with the character of the neighborhood, but were told they were all to move there and make plenty of money. The young girls are of prepossessing appearance, can play the piano and sing well. Miss Smith was told to give up her position in the Brunswick hotel, which she did. During the afternoon of Tuesday the old couple brought the two girls together, and by threats and their persuasive powers secured the girls' consent to sell beer and liquors in the new house; to receive callers and entertain them with their vocal and instrumental accomplishments. The girls were given perfect assurance that there was nothing wrong in this, nor would they be called upon to do anything wrong. The whole plan was to make a lot of money in a short time and leave the country. The girls hesitated at first, but fearing personal violence they moved to their new abode, No. 18 Wood street. The mother acted as "madam" of the house and the father went on the street "tip" and took care of those people who frequent such resorts. It was not long before the house was visited by a number of people, and it did not take long for the girls to realize the situation in which they were placed. They had not been in the house an hour before Minnie Smith sent a note by a messenger boy to a young butcher with whom she kept company. The note contained a summons to the young man to come at once. This he did and was dumfounded when he saw the girl in such a place. She went into a room with him and burst into tears and exclaimed: "For God's sake, Dick, take me away from this place; don't leave us, take us out of here!" Dick pacified the girl and promised to see her out all right. He left the house hurriedly and awoke his partner, who had paid some attention to the younger girl. Then he procured a revolver, feeling that it might be brought to good use. The two gallant young butchers who had the highest respect for the girls, felt it their bounden duty to protect them if the law would not, and especially so as their parents had sunk so low as to attempt to drag them to such depths of degradation. The young men lost no time in reaching the house, and found both the girls in a room crying. It was not long before several visitors arrived, and the father and mother vainly endeavored to bring the girls out to entertain them. The father ordered the young men to go home and mind their business. He wanted the girls to come out, and threatened to shoot one of them if they left the house. "They are my girls," he said, "and I'll do as I please with them." At this point of the proceedings Dick pulled out his pistol and told the old folks to leave the room or he would let them have the contents of the weapon. Hot words followed, but the young men remained in possession of the fort, and the old woman had to entertain the visitors. The friends of the girls sat up all night and did not drink a drop of liquor as has been stated. At an early hour in the morning they left the house and secured respectable quarters for the girls, where they are now located. That was the last of the bawdy; it closed up the following morning, was not reopened Wednesday night, although Pixley and his wife slept there, and yesterday evening, fearing that the strong arm of the law would fall upon them, the couple left town for the east, despoiled by their daughter and niece whose character they unsuccessfully tried to blacken.

In a few days Miss Edna Pixley and Minnie Smith will leave for the home of the latter's sister at Ashland, Wisconsin. The finest line of plush and leather photograph and autograph albums just opened at the Bee Hive. Ladies fine seal and beaver plush muffs only \$2 at The Bee Hive.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

There will be a church social at the Christian church, corner of Hemlock street and Benton avenue, this evening. All are invited.

The trustees of the public schools of Helena have decreed that the stars and stripes shall hereafter wave from the High school building.

Agent Veazie, of the Union Pacific, has received a large number of the Union Pacific's books of out-door sports and pastimes, containing the rules and regulations of all kinds of games. Call and get one.

The social hop of Canton Schuyler Col. has, No. 2, Patriarcha Militant, I. O. O. F., given at Encore hall last night, was a thoroughly enjoyable affair and attended by over sixty couples.

Sheriff Jeffers for the First National bank has attached the buildings and real estate of the Helena Steam Power and Granite Co. The attachment was filed in the office of the clerk and recorder yesterday.

Rev. C. B. Allen, Jr., pastor of the Baptist church, recently ordered a new overcoat of Schermerhorn & West. He was greatly surprised on Wednesday evening when he received the coat with a receipted bill and a note expressive of the warm affection of his congregation.

One-hundred-and-twelve-piece dinner set only \$14 at The Bee Hive.

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Jno. B. Johnson will open his establishment again under his own personal supervision. He has paid all liabilities and the sign on the outside will read as before, "Jno. B. Johnson, Merchant Tailor."

Candidate for the Senate.

The colored republican club met Wednesday evening and nominated B. F. Hooper for watchman and John Jackson for sergeant-at-arms in the senate. The club insists upon the election of these men.

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Rocky Mountain Encampment No. 1, I. O. O. F.

A regular meeting of the above Encampment will be held on the second and fourth Friday of each month at their lodge room in this city at 7:30 p. m. Sejourning brothers are cordially invited to attend. D. J. WAIT, C. P. HENRY ASMUSSEN, Scribe.

Attention, Select Knights, A. O. U. W.

A regular assembly of Montana Legion No. 1, Select Knights, convenes at their hall, in Odd Fellows Temple, every Friday night at 7:30 o'clock sharp. Confreres of select legions are cordially invited to attend. C. A. DONNELLY, Select Commander. N. P. WALTERS, Recorder.

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